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## Directs Warrant Sworn Out Against Mr. Felder

**Dispensary Winding-Up Commission Directs Secretary Kelly to Swear Out Warrant in Newberry County Charging Him With Conspiracy to Defraud the State.**

Special to The Herald and News.

Columbia, May 29.—The dispensary winding-up commission at its meeting here today by resolution directed Secretary B. Frank Kelly to swear out in Newberry county a warrant charging Thomas B. Felder with conspiracy to defraud the State.

Felder failed to appear before the commission today in response to the summons issued by the commission at its last meeting requiring him to appear and tell what he knew in connection with the old State dispensary, and particularly what he knew of any connection of the governor of South Carolina with the State dispensary. Felder having issued in the public prints a scathing denunciation of the governor.

It will be recalled that Governor Bleasdale gave out for publication a letter which he stated was written by Felder to H. H. Evans, of Newberry. Felder then issued a statement denouncing the letter as a forgery and stating that if Governor Bleasdale

not within thirty days sign the resolution providing for a commission to investigate the old winding-up commission that he would write a book telling what he knew on the governor, and would mail it to every voter in the State. Governor Bleasdale did not sign the resolution, but gave out for publication another Felder letter to Evans.

The present winding-up commission requested Felder to appear before it and tell what he knew. The commission then at its last meeting issued a summons "requiring" Felder to appear before the commission today. Nothing has been heard of Felder's book here, and he did not appear today. The commission could not of course bring him out of another State into this State as a witness.

Where a warrant is sworn out charging a person in another State with a crime committed in this State, the accused can of course be brought into the State if the governor of the other State honors a requisition for the accused.

## FOURTEEN LEFT STATE PENITENTIARY MONDAY

Columbia, May 28.—Fourteen prisoners will leave the State penitentiary tomorrow.

Of the fourteen men to be released by order of Governor Bleasdale are given their freedom upon the endorsement of the prison physician and the captain of the guard at the penitentiary, following Governor Bleasdale's personal visit to the prison, where he saw these prisoners' condition.

According to the certificates even of the paroled prisoners are suffering with chronic illness and one gets his certificate because of advanced age.

Some of those who leave the prison tomorrow will have to be carried from the very door of their cells in the hospital building. One of the prisoners, an old negro, is blind; two others are suffering from locomotor ataxia, which disease renders them helpless; another fell from the third tier of the cell building and had one side paralyzed; he glided on his cheek bone and was saved from death in the fall, but has never been able to use one side since the morning he dropped from the dizzy height; two of the prisoners that leave have tuberculosis of the stomach.

"Will Henderson, colored, was convicted at the November term, 1910, of court for Newberry county, of house-breaking and larceny and sentenced to 18 months in the State penitentiary."

### A Bad Witness.

Idea.

A small Scottish boy was summoned to give evidence against his father, who was accused of making disturbances on the street. Said the magistrate to him:

"Come, my wee mon, speak the truth and let us know all ye ken about this affair."

"Weel, sir," said the lad, "d'ye ken Inverness street?"

"I do, laddie," replied his worship.

"Weel, ye gang along it, and turn into the square, and cross the square—"

"Yes, yes," said the judge encouragingly.

"And when ye gang across the square ye turn to the right, and up into High street, an' keep on up High street, till ye come to a pump."

"Quite right, my lad; proceed," said his worship. "I know the old pump well."

"Weel," said the boy, with the most infantile simplicity, "ye may gang an' pump it, for ye'll no pump me."

## COL. THOS. B. CREWS GOES TO HIS REWARD

**NESTOR OF NEWSPAPER PROFESSION OF THE STATE.**

**Vast Concourse of Friends Pay Tribute to Veteran Editor of Laurensville Herald.**

Laurens, May 28.—Col. Thomas B. Crews, editor, former legislator, postmaster and ex-Confederate soldier, died shortly after 1 o'clock last night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John F. Bolt, after an illness of about four weeks' duration. He suffered from heart trouble, and as his illness progressed complications developed. On Monday last he experienced a change for the worse, and to friends who called to see him and to members of his family he expressed the opinion that he would not survive. At the same time he expressed his absolute faith and hope of the future, saying that while his life had been far from perfection he relied on the promises of God and had accepted them.

### Crowd Attends Funeral.

At 6 o'clock an afternoon service was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Bolt, the Rev. L. P. McGee, pastor of the First Methodist church, of which the deceased had been a member for more than a half century, officiated, assisted by other ministers of the city. At the City cemetery, where he was laid to rest beside the graves of his wives, the last sad rites were conducted by the Masons. A tremendous throng were present to pay tribute to his memory. Among those from other points present included Senator B. R. Tillman, Governor Bleasdale, Col. Wylie Jones and James A. Hoyt, of Columbia; Col. E. H. Aull, Col. Fred H. Dominick, Messrs. Eugene S. Bleasdale and Cannon G. Bleasdale, of Newberry. The active pall-bearers were H. Ferry, C. M. Babb, T. C. Switzer, Thomas Downey, J. H. Peterson, Ossie Anderson, of Laurens, and Jno. K. Aull and F. H. Dominick, of Newberry.

Col. Crews was twice married, his first marriage being to Miss Eugenia E. Hance, October 21, 1856. Forty-four years ago Saturday she passed away, leaving besides her husband, three sons, William T., James T., and Edgar H. Crews, and one daughter, Miss Sallie, now the wife of John F. Bolt, clerk of the court of Laurens county.

### Oldest Newspaper Man.

Col. Crews was one of the oldest if not the oldest newspaper editor and publisher in South Carolina, having

since serving his apprenticeship in the office of the Messrs. Godman, publishers and editors of the Laurens Herald, in 1848-50, continued his connection in newspaper work continuously, with the exception of the four years given to the Southern Confederacy, up to the time of his death. In the meantime he filled many places of honor and trust, having served one term in the State legislature along in the eighties, and afterward represented Laurens county in the State senate four years. In 1893 he was appointed postmaster at Laurens by President Cleveland, serving a term of four years in this capacity. At the time of his death he was a member of the board of trustees of the Old Soldiers' Home, commander of Camp Garlington, U. C. V., and member of the State executive committee from Laurens county, a position he had the honor of filling for a number of years. Politically he was one of the leaders in this county, having during the Reconstruction Period devoted the best energies of his paper to the cause of redeeming the State from Radical rule, thus arraying himself against his brother, Joe Crews, and he personally organized and assisted in equipping the first Red Shirt company in Laurens. In the recent era of State reform Col. Crews was active in advocating and carrying to a successful issue the political upheaval of that day. He could have had most any office in the gift of the county or State, for he was recognized as a leader and his countrymen greatly wished to do him honor, but he declined and lent himself to advancing the cause of reform and the fortunes of others.

### Sketch of His Life.

Thomas Bissell Crews was a son of Thomas and Mary Crews, and was born at Rutherfordton, N. C., June 7, 1832, and therefore, lacked only ten days of completing his 79th year. He came to this town when a boy of 18, having attended the school of his home town, when not at work in his father's wagon and buggy shops. He entered the office of the Messrs. Godman, then proprietors and editors of the Laurens Herald, completing his apprenticeship two years later. Later he worked on the Family Friend, a newspaper published in Columbia, afterward going to Atlanta, where he was employed as a printer on the Intelligencer, afterward the Atlanta Constitution. Returning to Columbia he worked as a State printer for some time, and then came back to Laurens to work on the Herald. Just before the war he accepted the position of foreman of the Banner, at Abbeville. When the War Between the Sections broke out he enlisted with Company A, 1st South Carolina cavalry, Hampton's brigade, Army of Northern Virginia. He succeeded to the first lieutenantcy of his command, and frequently led his company as captain upon the commander of the company shot out and for other causes. He was engaged in many of the important battles, but escaped without receiving a single wound.

### Becomes Editor.

At the close of the war Col. Crews returned to Laurens and with a local company he purchased from the estate of James Hollingsworth the Laurensville Herald, which he published, being assisted in the editorial work on the paper by Col. B. W. Ball and Capt. Homer McGowan, both of whom have passed away. Later Col. John W. Ferguson was associated with him as editorial writer. In 1872 Col. Crews became chief editor and proprietor, and thus continued his relation to the paper up to the present time.

While living in Atlanta, Mr. Crews joined an expedition and proceeded to Cuba to assist Lopez and other revolutionists in the revolt against Spanish rule on the Island. He was a member of the second expedition, and while all the men in his expedition were captured, they did not suffer the fate of Lopez and his men, for he with the rest of the crew, were paroled later and allowed to return home. In 1870 Col. Crews was married the second time to Miss Celia Ballew, whose death occurred a few years ago. No children were born to this union.

### Honored and Esteemed.

Col. Crews was a charter member of the State Press association and for seven years served as president of the society. He took great interest in its affairs and was frequently called

## DYSON SCHOOL CLOSES.

**Successful Year Comes to Close—Creditable Exercises—Picnic and Barbecue.**

Under the management of Miss Maude Lee Lancaster, of Newberry, as teacher, the Dyson school, just across the Newberry line, in Greenwood county, had a most successful year, and the interest of the teacher in her school and of the pupils in their work was reflected in the closing exercises held at the school house on Friday night. An attractive program had been arranged, and all the scholars acquitted themselves most creditably.

The Dyson school was established at its present location some 35 years ago, when a building was erected on Mr. J. Luther Aull's land. Some few years ago Mr. Aull sold the land on which the building stands to the school district. The first teacher was George D. Haltiwanger, a graduate of Newberry college, and a man of fine ability and of exceptional talents. Among those who have since taught the school is Dr. W. G. Houseal, of Newberry, whose first work following his graduation from Newberry college was the teaching of this school for a term of ten months.

The trustees of the school now are: Messrs. Arthur D. Timmerman, Geo. W. Reid and A. C. Sligh. They met on Saturday and reelected Miss Lancaster for another year.

The exercises on Friday evening were opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dibble, of Ninety Six, who announced the numbers on the program, and who presented the prizes which had been offered by Miss Lancaster. Luther Backman Aull, Jr., won the prize which had been offered for the highest average; Henry Crouch, the prize for excellence in attendance, and Birdie Boulware the prize for the greatest number of head marks in spelling and the best Christmas composition.

The following program was carried out:

Welcome address—Luther Backman Aull.

"Ugliest of Seven" (a play)—Annie Belle Sligh, Birdie Boulware, Estelle King, Sarah Glasgow, Ruth Boulware, Luther Backman Aull, William Glasgow, Sallie King, Helen Bishop, Susie Vines, Annie Mae Butler, Claude Sligh.

"A Wish"—Henry Crouch.

"A Story"—Marie Bishop.

Doll's Drill—Fuddie Williamson, Eunice Bishop, Helen Bishop, Julia Timmerman, Sarah Sligh, Jennie Kate Wilson, Marie Bishop, Susan Reames, Lillie Fair Sligh.

"Her Reply"—Julia Timmerman.

Song, "Much Obligated to You"—James Hagood.

"One Summer"—Ella Belle Bishop, Susan Reames.

Floral Drill—Ruth Boulware, Annie Belle Sligh, Sara Glasgow, Mattie Lee Reames, Birdie Boulware, Annie Mae Butler, Estelle King, Sallie King, "Swore Off"—Beatrice McClure.

"Rock of Ages" (tableau)—Birdie Boulware, Sara Sligh, Jennie K. Wilson.

"Red Riding Hood"—Fuddie Wilson. "Little Dorothy's Soliloquy"—Eunice Bishop.

"Old Maid's Association"—Sara Glasgow, president; Birdie Boulware, secretary; Robert Boulware, professor; Annie Belle Sligh, Ruth Boulware, Annie Mae Butler, Eunice Bishop, Helen Bishop, Sumter Day, Sallie

ed upon to contribute papers at the annual meetings; in later years these contributions being especially valued for their reminiscent interest and worth. In 1901 Editor Crews wrote a series of articles on his recollections of Laurens fifty years ago, and published them in his paper.

In the death of this aged citizen, widely known throughout the State, Laurens county loses a prominent figure, who has been identified with the county's affairs for more than half a century, and he will be missed in a field politically unique, and by all the old soldiers who held him in the highest esteem and love, and by all his countrymen who honored him for his courageous and outspoken stand in behalf of the people's interests, whether on the popular side of the issue or not, throughout a career devoted to newspaper work in the county and State.

## Clemson is Held to Be Not a State Institution

**United States Supreme Court Upsets Decision Announced By Supreme Court of South Carolina Holding that Clemson, Being State Institution Can Not Be Sued.**

Special to The Herald and News.

Columbia, May 29.—The Federal supreme court, in a decision handed down today, upsets entirely the doctrine announced by the supreme court of South Carolina that Clemson is a State institution, and therefore can not be sued.

The decision of the United States court reverses the decision of the South Carolina court in the case of Hopkins vs. Clemson college. Dr. Hopkins sued Clemson college for \$8,000 damages alleged to have been done to his lands on Seneca river by dykes which the college constructed.

The late Judge James Aldrich held that Clemson college, being a State institution and the trustees being representatives of the State, that Clemson could not be sued under the doctrine that a sovereign State can not be sued without permission from the legislature to bring suit. The decree of Judge Aldrich was affirmed by the State supreme court. It is this decision of the State supreme court that the Federal court reverses in the decision handed down today.

This is a complete knock-out for the contention that Clemson is a State institution.

King, Estelle King, Mattie Lee Reames, Susie Vines.

Sash Drill—Led by Fuddie Williamson and Luther Backman Aull, with the following participating: James Hagood, Lillie Fair Sligh, Sara Sligh, James Butler, Eakin Wilson, Susan Reames, Chevais Sligh, Jennie Kate Wilson, Marie Bishop, Henry Crouch.

"May Queen"—Helen Bishop.

"Orrahanna"—Ruth Boulware.

"Mammy's Way"—Ruth Boulware, Dudley Wilson.

"Girl's Essay on Boys"—Jennie Kate Wilson.

Negro Choir—Broadus Day, leader; J. D. Timmerman, rather; James T. Boulware, mother; William Glasgow, Sara Glasgow, Ruth Boulware, Birdie Boulware, Annie Belle Sligh, Chevais Sligh, Lillie Fair Sligh, Florence Williamson, Fuddie Williamson, Dudley Wilson, Julia Timmerman, Luther Backman Aull, Mattie Lee Reames, Susie Vines, Sumter Day, Annie Mae Butler.

Epilogue—Eakin Wilson.

Excellent music was furnished by Miss Esther Boulware, pianist, and Messrs. A. D. and J. D. Timmerman, violinists.

The piano which was used was furnished by Holland Bros., Greenwood. There was a large crowd in attendance, and the occasion was thoroughly enjoyed throughout.

On Saturday there was a picnic and barbecue dinner on the school grounds. The ladies of the community are adepts in the fine art of preparing picnic baskets, and the hash was prepared by that veteran "cueist," A. C. Sligh, whose ability in this line is well known in Newberry county, where he lived up until a few years ago.

### The Dyson Section.

The Dyson section of Greenwood county includes some of the best farming lands in this section of the State. The crops are of course suffering from the long drought, there having been no rain since before the middle of April. Those who planted deep and early have good stands, but crops not so planted are not yet up. It is believed, however, that with good rains now the crops will come up in good shape.

There are many attractive homes in this community, and the people are generally prosperous. There has been a rapid advance in the price of lands during the past few years. Land that in the recent past was bought as low as \$5 and \$6 an acre can not be bought now for twenty-five dollars an acre, and there are many tracts that will command fancy prices.

One of the most valuable assets of the community is its exceptional healthfulness.

A rural route starting at Dyson and going down into Saluda county was established several years ago, and the people have their mail delivered daily at their doors. The mail rider is Mr. L. B. Aull. Recently a telephone line has been built running from the station at Dyson to Ninety Six, where the long distance lines are tapped. Those on the new line are

Messrs. Kelter Glasgow, A. C. Sligh, Henry Williamson, Geo. W. Reid, W. W. Holt, Norris, L. B. Aull and J. L. Aull.

### "SORROWFUL JOHN."

**Laments the Sad and Sudden Death of one of His Hens—Wants Shooting Ordinance Enforced.**

Editor The Herald and News: The writer would like to know why it is that the ordinance against the shooting of a fire arm within the city limits, is not enforced. It should either be enforced or repealed. He for one, would have no kick coming if the boys would confine themselves to the shooting of the abominable, and pestiferous English sparrows, inasmuch as they would not only aid in getting rid of a nuisance, but would be a good training in marksmanship, for, as "Teddy" says, "its the man behind the gun" that protects the flag, and the little Jap is a good "shooter," but this is a digression.

Your scribe had a trio of very fine buff orpingtons, both hens laying every day, and one of these young "men behind the guns," grew tired of shooting at such small game as sparrows, and tried his hand at one of the orpingtons and with deadly effect. She is now sleeping in the "cold, cold, ground." "Requiescat in pace."

"Sorrowful John."

### Lost in the Lake.

Outing.

Our British cousins have been accused of being devoid of humor for so long that the following yarn is told to remove the imputation in a measure. Not so very long ago an Englishman, just across, visited Sandpoint, one of the large lumbering towns in the Northwest. Practically the entire town and country are owned by the Humbird Lumber company. The Englishman was taken out into the great pine forests where immense white pines tower on every side.

"To whom does this forest belong?" he asked.

"To the Humbird Lumber company," was the answer.

He was shown through the large lumber plant and informed that it belonged to the Humbirds. The fine bank building, the great department store, rows upon rows of dwelling houses, all belonging to the same corporations.

As a crowning treat he was taken for a spin around Lake Pend d'Oreille in a swift launch. Upon their return while standing upon the dock, he asked:

"May I ask who owns this lake?"

"Oh, it belongs to God."

"Aw, really is that so? Now, would you mind telling me how he managed to get it away from Mr. Humbird?"

### Expert Opinion.

The Tatter.

The Angler—Is this public water for fishing?

The Native—Oh, aye!

The Angler—Then it won't be a crime to land a fish?

The Native—No; it 'ud be a blooming miracle!